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SUBJECT:PROPOSED STUDY OF U.S.-IRANIAN EDUCATION LINKS;  
BICENTENNIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

REF: STATE 160961

1. DEPT WOULD APPRECIATE POST'S ASSESSMENT OF GOI AND/OR  
IRANIAN ACADEMIA RESPONSE TO PROJECT DESCRIBED IN REFTEL --  
EVEN IF ONLY PRELIMINARY. WE WOULD LIKE TO INCORPORATE  
REFERENCE TO THE PROPOSED SURVEY IN MR. RICHARDSON'S  
REMARKS AT A PRESENTATION CEREMONY JULY 30. (SEE PARA 3  
BELOW.)

2. POST MAY BE INTERESTED TO LEARN THAT IBRD OFFICIAL  
NECAT ERDER WAS INFORMALLY BRIEFED ON SURVEY BY DIRECTOR,  
OVERSEAS LIAISON COMMITTEE, PRIOR TO ERDER'S RECENT  
VISIT TO TEHRAN. UPON HIS RETURN ERDER REPORTED TO OLC  
DIRECTOR THAT HE HAD MENTIONED PROPOSED SURVEY TO PROFESSOR  
CHAMSEDDINE M. H. MOFIDI (RPT MOFIDI. NAME MISSPELLED  
IN PARA 5 OF REFTEL.) MOFIDI WELCOMED PROJECT AND EX-  
PRESSED SATISFACTION THAT U.S. SHARES CONCERNS IMPLICIT IN  
PROPOSAL. ACCORDING TO ERDER, MOFIDI IDENTIFIED HIS  
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OFFICE (CENTRAL COUNCIL OF UNIVERSITIES AND ACADEMIC IN-

STITUTIONS, MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND HIGHER EDUCATION) AS  
LOGICAL IRANIAN COLLABORATOR WITH SURVEY TEAM.

3. CEREMONY MENTIONED ABOVE SCHEDULED FOR AFTERNOON OF  
JULY 30 DURING WHICH AMBASSADOR ZAHEDI WILL PRESENT ASST.  
SECRETARY RICHARDSON WITH CHECK TO FUND SCHOLARSHIP PRO-  
GRAM IN HONOR OF BICENTENNIAL. SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE AWARDED  
TO AMERICAN STUDENTS, WITH SOME RESERVED FOR KENT STATE,  
FOR STUDY IN IRAN. REPORTED AMOUNT IS EIGHTY THOUSAND  
DOLLARS, WITH POSSIBILITY IT MAY BE RAISED TO HUNDRED  
THOUSAND DOLLARS. MINISTER COUNSELOR KAZEMIAN ASSURES US  
THAT PROGRAM WILL BE ONGOING WITH ALLOCATIONS MADE AN-  
NUALLY. KISSINGER

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